SECRET

3 March 1964

the second of th

## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: SNIE 14.3-64: THE OUTLOOK FOR NORTH VIETNAM

- 1. This SNIE was initiated by O/NE in anticipation of a need for information and judgments on North Vietnam's condition and capabilities.
- 2. No reservations were taken on the text and we expect no special problems to arise at the USIB.
- 3. The Post Mortem, which was the product of an earlier meeting of the experts from DIA, NSA, and CIA, was coordinated tentatively by the representatives subject to checks with their parent offices. DIA has since called in to report that it objects to the entire Post Mortem as going far beyond its proper scope in discussing operational aspects and intelligence channels.

FOR THE BOARD OF NATIONAL ESTIMATES:

SHERMAN KENT Chairman

SESSEL

English 1
Excluded, from entomatic developments and quelish situation